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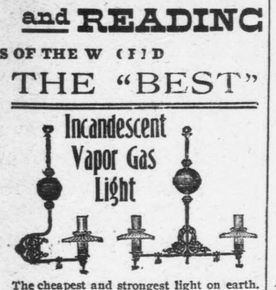

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PENINSULA NEWS.

James H. and Robert E. Smith will in a few days begin the building of a flour mill at Ridgely, Md., 30x40 feet, two stories, with improved process machinery and steam power.

George Bacon, of Laurel, while attempting to stop a runaway horse belonging to G. W. Wiley, was run over and seriously hurt. Dr. E. H. Farlow was summoned and dressed his injuries. He will probably recover.

J. D. Hawkins, former Secretary of State, has purchased the Milford Democrat of Howard and Henry Wilkinson. The newspaper plant will be removed from Milford to Dover. The name will be changed to the State Capital and will be published as a free silver Democratic paper.

A fund is being collected in Dover for the purpose of sending Prof J. E. Carroll on a trip to the Paris Exposition during July and August. The amount required will be about $175. The citizens are doing this in appreciation of his faithful services as principal of the school there, he holding that position for the past 21 years.

The trustees of the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church have bought from W. Lake Robinson a residence on Locust street which will be used as a parsonage. Within a few days after this step was proposed the desired amount of money for the purpose was raised. One of the members of the church gave $1,000. All but one of the churches of Cambridge have a parsonage as a part of the church property.

David H. Hancock, of Dover, has at his home one of the greatest freaks of nature that has been seen in that section for a long time. It is nothing less than a fowl that is half hen and half rooster. It has a head that is large and comb and gills that any rooster might be proud of. Here is the puzzle: For several months the fowl has been laying eggs but instead of the usual cackle that a hen has there always follows loud crowing.

A great commotion on the Eastern Shore was caused Sunday by the rush of two locomobiles through the section Such vehicles had never been seen by many of the farmers before, and there was a great speculation as to whether they were not some supernatural affairs James E. Hooper was in one of the carriages and M. Gillet Gill and Howard Gill all of Baltimore in the other. They intended to make the 70 miles from Queenstown to Rehoboth Beach during the day, but found the roads in bad condition.

Capt. A. Judson, near Pomona, in Kent county, Md., is building a yacht 75 feet long, 11 feet beam and 7 feet hold. He has been at work on it 15 years and expects to be able to launch it on July 4, next. He has built it two miles from water and the question of launching the craft is not the least important in the work. He proposes to run it by steam and claims it will make twenty miles an hour. Several parts of the original structure have rotted and been replaced and now this modern Noah will soon see the finish of his great work.

Episcopalians from all parts of the State will be at Milford to attend the annual Diocesan Convention, which begins in Christ Church, June 6, and will be presided over by Rt. Rev. Leighton Coleman, Bishop of Delaware. The Bispop, in his letter to the clergy of Delaware, appeals to them to so arrange their affairs as to be present at the missionary meeting, to be held on the evening of June 5, and to remain until after the convention. One of the interesting features in connection with the convention is a missionary meeting by the women of the diocese, representing the Women's Auxiliary, at Laurel, on the eve of Whitsunday, June 2, and the attendance of these representatives and prominent churchmen on the following day at Christ Church. The Woman's Auxiliary, of Laurel, through its secretary, Mrs. Daniel Short, offers hospitality to all the church people who can attend. The programme consists of a Woman's Auxiliary meeting with the Laurel branch on Whitsun eve; sermons on a missionary topic on Whitsun-Day by the rector; afternoon service at old Christ Church, to which every one will be conveyed; and in the evening, confirmation at St. Philip's, Laurel. On Monday the clergy will journey to Milford, where the convention will begin.

John Jacob Schade, 64 years old, of No. 1201 Lancaster avenue, Wilmington, died suddenly Monday evening while attending a meeting of the St. Benedict Society at the Sacred Heart School building. He has been a prominent member of the society and attended the meeting, although he was not feeling well. He was stricken before the meeting was over and fell into the arms of his son. Dr. Finley was summoned, but could do nothing. The body was removed to the morgue and was afterwards taken to his home. Coroner Vandever will hold an inquest.

James Gilmore, colored, of Georgetown, who was visiting at Dover, was killed near a shanty back of the post-office Monday by Frank Brown, also colored. On Saturday, it is said, Brown quarreled with a negro known as "Ginger," Monday he returned to the shanty to renew the quarrel. Gilmore who was not involved in the quarrel was standing just outside the shanty when Brown approached. Drawing two revolvers the latter fired at random, striking Gilmore in the lung and killing him instantly. Brown immediately fled, crossing the back yards of adjoining houses and proceeding out State street in his flight.

Highwaymen are yet hovering about the vicinity of New Castle. They were last heard from in the vicinity of Reybold Station, between that city and Delaware City, where, at an early hour Saturday morning, three men held up Daniel Moore, colored, and took from him his watch, thirty-seven cents in money, and, after beating him concluded their work by taking from him his coat, vest and also his shoes and compelling him to walk through the pouring rain in his stocking feet a distance of nearly two miles. When he reached his home he fainted from the beating and exposure to the rain. The highwaymen are supposed to be the same persons who a short time ago held up Ex-Postmaster Hunter, of this city, and robbed him of his watch and money.

Fishermen in the upper waters of the Choptank river say the German carp is one of the causes of the scarcity of other fish. Carp are becoming very plentiful and others of the finny tribe are disappearing. The carp is the usurper of the feeding grounds of other fish and devours the spawn. When first brought to this State the carp was thought by many to be a fine table fish. Quite a number of ponds were established in this country. The young fish put in them grew rapidly, as they were fed regularly. After they had grown large enough to cook it was discovered that they were little or no better than a mullet. Thereafter the ponds and their contents were neglected, but the fish multiplied. Eventually the freshets destroyed the dams, one after the other, and the now numerous fish went into the river with the rush of freed waters. Thus it was that the Choptank was well stocked several years ago. The sturdy piscatorial importation seems to have been quickly acclimated, for it certainly has been very prolific. It is claimed by some fishermen that after remaining in salt for quite a long time the carp—like the herring—becomes very palatable. This is not generally known, however, and the carp is the cheapest fish on the market.

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Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak sickly, rundown people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold at Vaughan's Pharmacy.

Seriously Injured.

Seth Mahon, an employe of the Hardwood Lumber Company, North East, Md., while at work at the company's mill in Thomas Millers woods last Monday, was seriously injured by being struck by a piece of timber which was thrown by the saw. The timber struck Mahon on the left leg below the knee with such force as to drive him to the earth several feet away his head coming in contact with a stone inflicting a scalp wound four inches long and a partial concussion of the brain. The blow on the leg caused a compound fracture with pieces of the bone protruding. Dr. Worral was sent for and dressed the scalp wound. Mahon was taken to the University Hospital in Baltimore, where surgeons found it necessary to make three amputations of his leg before they reached sound bone. At last accounts he was doing as well as could be expected under that circumstances.

Reduced Rates to Camden, Indiana, via Pennsylvania R. R.

For meeting of Old Order of German Baptist Brethren at Camden, Indiana, June 3 to 5, 1900, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell from May 31 to June 3, inclusive, excursion tickets to Camden, Indiana, from stations on its lines west of Baltimore Md., (not inclusive), west of and including Lancaster and Reading, and from stations south of and including Sunbury, at rate of one first-class limited fare for the round trip. Tickets will be good returning until July 5, inclusive.

"There is no little enemy." Little impurities in the blood are sources of great danger and should be expelled by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

WASHINGTON LETTER

WASHINGTON, May 28.h, 1900.

President McKinley will return from Fort Monroe, where he went to observe the total eclipse of sun, Tuesday, and on Memorial day he will go to Antietam to take part in the ceremonies of the day.

Senator Allison, Chairman of the Senate Appropriation Committee, would be glad to see Congress adjourn June 6th, in accordance with the resolution adopted by the House, but he expresses doubt whether the condition of the regular appropriation bills, not yet acted upon, will permit, and thinks it will be necessary for the Senate to amend the resolution, setting the date for adjournment a few days later.

Hon. H. O. Weaver, Chairman of the Iowa Republican State Central Committee, who is in Washington, says that with the exception of Judge McPherson, who resigned to accept a place on the bench, the entire State delegation in the House will be re-elected and that President McKinley's majority in the State will be about 60,000. He says, the people of the State were never more prosperous or more contented.

In their anxiety to find something against the administration, the Democrats made an amusing blunder. After making a sensational outcry over the refusal of the Comptroller of the Treasury to allow some accounts of the Washington City Post Office, aggregating about $900, for the fiscal year 1898, they discovered that those accounts belonged to a Democratic Postmaster, who was a Cleveland holdover. Now they are saying less about it.

Hon. H. C. Payne, Wisconsin's member of the Republican National Committee, who is in Washington to attend a meeting of the subcommittee which is making arrangements for the Philadelphia Convention, says he has been in every Western state during the past two months and that in every one of them he found the Republicans preparing to make a winning campaign that the alleged Republicans dissatisfaction with the administration, is merely a Democratic campaign myth of the kind likely to become numerous but not dangerous, just now.

Old-timers in Washington, recall the fact that Mr. Clark and Mr. Maginnis, of Montana, who now rivals for the vacancy in the Senate from that State, one having an appointment from the acting Governor and one an appointment from the Governor, and neither having one chance in one hundred to win, were together in Washington once before as claimants to seats in the Senate. Just after Montana became a state what was known as the "rump" legislature elected Clark and Maginnis to their seats, but were never allowed to do so. They are what might be called by the superstitious senatorial hoodoos.

The Democrats were greatly surprised as well as chagrined when the Republican Senators to a man, supported the resolution offered by Senator Bacon, directing the Committee on relations with Cuba, of which Senator Platt, of Conn., is Chairman, to make an investigation of all receipts and expenditures in Cuba, since the island has been under Military Government. Republican Senators were perfectly satisfied that the investigation, now being made by officials of the government would cover the matter thoroughly, making a Congressional investigation unnecessary, but they had no idea of giving the Democrats the satisfacation of seeing the investigation resolution defeated.

The report of the House Ways and Means Committee against a resolution offered by Representative Richardson of Tennessee, the Democratic floor-leader, for the admission, free of duty, of sugar and molasses, and everything entertaining into the manufacture of sugar from Cuba to Porto Rico, shows a somewhat remarkable friendliness for the sugar trust, on the part of the Democratic leader. After submitting figures in detail to back its contention the report says: "It will be seen that to place these commodities on the free list would if the same amount of sugar and molasse sshould be imported during the year beginning July 1, 1900, and running forward give to the importers of sugar and molasses something like $14,000,000. This would be a free gift from the people of the country and measures the value of these proposed yearly gifts to the sugar trust, calculated on the importations of 1899, which, of course, will steadily increase from year to year. The tariff of 1897 so far as it relates to sugar and molasses was intended to be both a revenue producer and a matter of protection to the best sugar industry of the U. S. To now remove that protection would be a fatal blow to that valuable and growing industry, and would strip the Treasury at once of one of its most reliable sources of revenue, and the sole effect, so far as immediate and great gain to anyone is concerned, would be to hand over to a great corporation now enjoyed enormous prosperity, a degree of aid and assistance in accumulating larger wealth, that would shock the conscience of the American people." Republican speakers will not let the voters forget that this proposition to give the sugar trust $14-600,000 a year was made by the Democratic leader of the House.

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Port Penn M. E. Church.

Rev. Francis Burgette Short, pastor of Epworth M. E. Church, Wilmington, preached at the Port Penn M. E. Church Sunday morning. The occasion was the reopening of the church, it having been recently frescoed and a new carpet put in. Rev. J. Harry Mitchell, who was formally Rev. Short's assistant, is pastor of the church. Rev. Mitchell is exceedingly popular in Port Penn and has done good work since going there. The expenses for renovating the church have all been paid.

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Excursion Rates to as Well as from the East.

The Rock Island Springs a Surprise on the Colorado Lines at To-day's Meeting.

The Trans-Missouri Committee of the Western Passenger Association is holding its annual meeting at the Brown Palace Hotel. A surprise was sprung on the committee at the morning session, by General Passenger Agent Sebastian, of the Rock Island. Reginning about June 20, the Rock Island will run four excursions from Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City and Omaha to Colorado common points, making the rate of one fare plus $2 for the round trip and return limit of October 31 on the tickets. These excursions will be run as special excursion trains and about the same dates return excursions will be run from Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo to the Eastern points, the same rate prevailing, thus enabling Colorado people desiring to do so to make tourists trips East during the summer with the same advantages granted Eastern tourists who come West.

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TO FIRST VOTERS

There is a constitutional provision which will become operative before the next general election is held, of which the general public may not be aware, although it has been published in connection with the Constitutional Convention. It is an educational test. It is "that no person who becomes of age or who is naturalized after January 1st, 1900, shall be permitted to vote who shall not be able to read the Constitution in English, and be capable of writing his name."

REV. SAM JONES.

Talks on the Worlds Ways and The Devil's Crowd.

In one of his sermons to a Baltimore congregation recently the great Evangelist, in part, said:

"I am sorry for the preacher who gets sick of preaching. I have preached two times a day for two or three months, and have never become ill from it. On the contrary, I have gained 25 pounds since I took up this work, and have given up theatres, punchbowls any many other things.

"You can tell the character of a person by the company he keeps. A girl who turns her back on the sick and poor and lowly and figures in a ballroom as a belle you may be sure is a very small animal. A woman that will turn her back on the poor and lowly is a very small potato. Present your bodies to the Lord and do what he says. That is the thing that goes with me.

"Do the opposite to what the world is doing. The best way to find out what to do is to watch the devil's crowd and go the other way. That is just the way I am in politics. Whenever I see the gamblers, brewers and saloon-peepers supporting a certain fellow, I just find some other man who is opposed to that crowd. I do it because I know I am right, and because I cannot shout when the devil's crowd wins. Whenever I see saloon-keepers, gamblers and that crowd in a parade and shouting for a certain man, I keep my hand o[ver] mouth and don't shout.

"Some people say it is bette[r] than not to be in the fashion. [T]here are many people [in] fashion when I first[came] years ago, who are [now] Christians should s[tay] following it. Old [Gen.] State, it is said, whe[n] to the inauguration, [wife] and back her on the [train] went down to the ca[r] her children to school [in] flannel petticoats, and wh[en] home from school the first day [they] their mother:

"'Mamma, all the children are laughing at our red petticoats. They say they are not in the fashion."

"Never mind,' said Mrs. Brown, 'I came down here not to follow the fashion, but to set it.'

"Christians should set the fashion by attending prayer meeting every Wednesday night, and by converting a sinner every day. When a man follows the fashion and becomes a 'sissy,' we men catch him by the nave of the neck, throw him over the fence and call him a dude. Some women who follow the fashion wear a train six foot long trailing behind them, and no train at all in that part of their bodies where it is needed. If I had a daughter who would do that, I would cut off the train and have it used where it belongs.

"What would you say if a man who would wear a pair of pants two or three feet too long? Would any of you walk with your husband on the street if he wore a pair of pants so long they trailed him? Well, I don't think you would.

"I believe a woman should dress modestly. Some women put a No. 6 foot in a No. 4 shoe, and then wonder why they have the backache. Women go to balls half dressed get cold, and then cry to the Lord that they are afflicted. Grace is not an assurance against sickness when persons act foolishly. They are some women who do these things, and then tell their husbands that they are afflicted by the Lord. This class of women should blow their ears full of sawdust. Their heads need filling with something."

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TO OUR PATRONS.

For several weeks THE TRANSCRIPT office has been more or less disarranged because of the presence of carpenters, paper hangers, painters and grainers. ☐ The present nice offices are worth the trouble, only ordinary work has been done with difficulty, and even the credits for payments have not gotten on the labels. They will be put on next week. Come to see us. Bring your job work. Most competent work in town for years.

MORNING NEWS' POLICY.

(June 2, 1900.)

From Evening Journal: "It is astonishing what an effect a Sheriff's advertisement has on the editorial conscience of the Daily Republican. Sheriff Taylor is an Addicks man. The Daily Republican gets his printing. That is why it is trimming so industriously at the present time. It wants the Addicks printing and it wants the Republican printing. To obtain the first it is compelled to sacrifice Republican principles and betray the confidence of Republican advertisers and subscribers, but that does not matter. In its equivocal course it carries water on both shoulders and blows hot and cold on Republicanism. If it continues it soon will lose whatever public respect it now enjoys, for in an emergency like this, when every Republican should stand true to his principles, it is no time for a trimmer to ply his vocation. Let the Daily Republican declare itself one way or the other and not hedge and haw for the mere sake of a few dollars which an Addicks Sheriff deems it politic and profitable to throw away."

Item 3.—In the opinion of THE TRANSCRIPT there is but a single difference between the Republican as to the above matter and the Morning News: The former may be excused on the plea of ignorance, the latter acts deliberately. These papers furnish a security for the Sheriff's bond, one first term and the other the second. This is an excuse to get the Sheriff's printing at a discount. Many would say this is business and all right. But the deliberate advocacy of Addicksism by the Republican and the silence of the Morning News as to the vile attacks of Addicks' henchmen and papers upon honest Republicanism and the leaders of the party, men of honor and integrity, is where the lack of party fealty and integrity shows itself. The Evening Journal has done more in one month to put Addicks and Addicksism on the run, has struck more effective blows for true Republicanism in four weeks, than have the Republican and Morning News for two years past. Republicans should read the Evening Journal. The papers in politics for business cannot faithfully serve their party.

(From TRANSCRIPT, May 19, 1900.)

The TRANSCRIPT has on several occasions called attention to the failure of the "Morning News" to correct gross false political claims made by "irresponsible and degenerage newspapers"—claims which often repeated gain credit where the "News" is not willing to admit it possible. It is because THE TRANSCRIPT and "News" differ in opinion that reference has been made to the seeming indifference of the "News" to the false capital gained by such stories. THE TRANSCRIPT is not "worrying." It be- may outrun the truth any day, ves in correcting erronious by "degenerate news- e views of the "Morn- RIPT is still wor- ng News" does words with ir- ate newspaper misrepresenting rting well-known telligent citizens of stand the political situa- e not to be swerved by any sehood or any volume of personal vituperation that may be poured forth. The situation to-day so far as it concerns the Republican party in Delaware is of vital concern to the people of the state. The history of recent political events is well-known to every man who is interested in public affairs, and no amount of falsification can alter the situation or change the facts. We do not consider that it is our duty to stoop to the low level of those who misrepresent the Republicans of the State and who have no regard for Republican principles and no care for Republican victory. We laid our course several years ago and we have stood by it in spite of falsehood and misrepresentation by others. We believe we have been right from the start and we believe we are right now. Our record is open to the public and the files of "The Morning News" will reveal that we have always stood for the best interests of the state and for the welfare of the Republican party.

A dignified consideration of a serious public question is far more effective than a continual deluge of words or a daily budget of contradictions. No self-respecting man can afford to bandy words with a blackguard and no self-respecting newspaper should be expected to take cognizance of every willful perversion of facts that may be made. The truth is known here and the truth will prevail.

The Republican party is passing through a grievous trial, but in the end it will come out with honor and dignity. We propose to maintain our self-respect in the future as we have in the past. Better defeat with honor than victory with dishoner."

OUR ANSWER.

We wish to prove our position correct. We expect the "News" to permit us to do so in our own way and without reply. We do not compare our statements to those made by the "Sun" nor admit any "irresponsibility." We believe the position assumed by the "News" has already lost Delaware to the Republicans, because of its failure to correct false political claims. It may do so again.

From week to week THE TRANSCRIPT will add items, not to injure or misrepresent the "News", for "the intelligent citizens of Wilmington understand" and no further explanation is necessary.

Item 1.—Last week the "Morning News" published a statement from Dover with much flavor and without editorial comment, that the Union Republican delegates were prospectively to be admitted to the Philadelphia Republican Convention, their State Committee having been recognized by the Congressional Committee and by Secretary Dick. This gave comfort to the enemy." The "irresponsible and degenerate newspaper" could not have done it so well. Since the "Every Evening" and under former management, the "Evening Journal" frequently charged the "News" with Addicks leanings, especialy in its business office, the whole matter had that aspect. Of course several days thereafter the "News" following other papers corrected its own error by announcing that the Republican delegates to Philadelphia had been put on the regular list and that Addicks must contest from the outside.

The whole thing had a peculiar color so far as the "News" Dover letter was concerned, but of course the "people understand" and no explanation is necessary.

(May 26th, 1900)

Item 2.—The "Morning News" did more to injure the cause of Delaware Republicanism in 1884 when that matchless leader, James G. Blaine, was nominated for the presidency than all other influences combined. It kicked against his nomination. The kicking hurt. A man may destroy in a day what it has taken years to build up. So with a newspaper. The course of the "News", afterwards changed towards the candidate and campaign, was anything else than that of "the leading Republican paper in Delaware."

ODESSA NOTES

Mrs. GorgeW. Davis was in Philadelphia Friday.

Mrs. Lizzie Stevens went to Philadelphia Thursday.

Miss Fisher is the guest of Mrs. Jacob Mulberger.

Miss Bessie Temple has returned from a visit to Langhorn.

Mr. Will Rose, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his father.

Mrs. Sarah E. Conlyn, of Easton, is the guest of the Messrs Doughten.

Miss Kathleen Higgins, of Orange, N. J., is the guest of Miss Louise Corbit.

Mrs Emma Johnson, of Philadelphia, was the guest of the Misses Fox on Decoration Day.

The Misses Annie and Gertie Gremminger, of Philadalphia, were home for Decoration Day.

Mrs. William Hugington returned home Sunday from a week's visit to her sister in Wilmington.

Miss Mary Walker, of Wilmington, and Mrs. Allee, of Middletown, were in town Decoration Day.

Mr. George C. Gibson, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his parentt, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Gibson.

Mrs. William R. Davis returned Tuesday from a short visit to her cousin, Mrs. Chester Scull of Philadelphia.

Mr. John Green's fishing fleet came in the creek Wednesday. His fishermen returned to their homes Thursday.

Mrs. George Green and children have returned from a visit to relatives at Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey.

Miss Kate Lynch, of Philadelphia, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Ginn, returned home Thursday.

Mr. William A Rhodes and daughter Miss Lucy, of Townsend, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Rhodes, Jr., Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Davis, of Smyrna, and Messrs Harry and Frank Davis, of Middletown, spent Decoration Day with their mother.

Mrs. Frederick Burgess returned to her home in Ridley Park Saturday, after a two weeks visit to her father, Mr. William S. Vandyke.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rhodes and sons, of St. Georges, and Mrs. William Rhodes, of Philadelphia, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rhodes, Wednesday.

The M. E. Sunday School are rehearsing for children's Day which will be the second Sunday in June. The program is fine and the music exceptionally beautiful.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Walker, of Philadelphia, road down to Odessa, on their wheels Tuesday. They spent Wednesday morning in town, starting on their return trip about noon.

All-day reunion services will be held at Old Drawyers Church next Sunday. Dr. Lewis, of Wilmington, will preach in the morning. The historical addresses will be made in the afternoon by Mr. Henry Conrad and others. The services will be exceedingly interesting.

The cycle path between this town and Middletown is in very bad condition and is in great need of some repairs. As this path is continually in use by both bicyclers and pedestrians our citizens think it a shame to let it remain in its present condition. A little money would put it in good condition again and if cyclers, pedestrians and the farmers living on the road between the two towns would hand in a small sum each to repair it it would be a blessing. Mr. Charles H. Workman, the bicycle dealer of our town, has taken the matter in hand and will receive all subscriptions towards repairing the same, and he is also willing to devote his own time in seeing that the work is done properly.

Col Andrews Post, No 14, G. A. R., held special services on Decoration Day. The procession composed of the singers speakers and members of the post formed at the M. E. Church and marched to the flag pole in the square opposite Mr. W. A. Rhode's There the choir composed of about twenty trained voices sang the "Star Spangled Banner" while the young girls dressed in red, white and blue raised the flag. Mr. W. H. Eccles introduced the speaker, Mr. Geo. L. Townsend, Jr., who made a very happy address about the flag and the wars in which our nation had engaged. This was followed by another song by the choir when the procession reformed and marched to the M. E. Cemetery where the services were held over the grave of Capt. George Naudain. After singing by choir and the services of the G. A. R. Rev. W. O. Hurst made a short but pleasing address followed another beautiful anthem.

The Friends Cemetery was then visited and a similar service held over the grave of Capt. Charles Corbit. The address was made by Mr. Daniel W. Corbit. He made a very happy reference to how two companies of Delaware Cavalry detained J. C. B. Stuart and the whole Confederate Cavalry for twelve hours, thus really being the means of the Union Army gaining the battle of Gettysburg. At Old Drawyer's Mr. Charles Gibson gave a thrilling description of the battle of Gettysburg. On returning home the wagons and carriages drove up around the flag pole and again sang the "Star Spangled Banner." The exercises were all interesting and many visitors were present from the surrounding country.

Of a Good Beginning

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LATE PENINSULA NEWS.

Governor Tunnell will open the Elks fair and carnival, which begins in Wilmington June 18.

The property of Mrs. George E. McKenney at Elkton, was sold at the Court House door, in Elkton Thursday, to Charles Devalinger, of Wilmington, for $1500.

Professor John Basset Moore of Columbia College a former Delawarean, has been secured to make the address to the graduates at the coming Delaware College commencement.

William Hunter and Son, of New Castle, on Tuesday erected a handsome Barre granite monument in St. Georges cemetery to the memory of the parents of Sheriff John E. Taylor. The shaft is a pretty one seven feet in highth.

W. L. Gooding, principal of the Clayton Public Schools, has tendered his resignation to the School Board to take place at the close of this school year. He proposes taking up the practice of law. The resignation was tendered on May 3rd, but was not accepted until last week.

The Trustees of the Poor held their monthly meeting Wednesday, all members being present except Mr. Fahey. The report of Superintendent McCoy showed a population of 214 as follows: White men 110; colored, 6; white women, 63; colored 16; white children, 11; colored, 7. The monthly payroll, $421.17, was passed.

C. C. Baldwell, of Liberty Grove, Cecil county, Md., is at the head of a syndicate that has purchased the entire real estate of the late James C. Bell, at Conowingo, Md. This includes about one thousand acres with many valuable improvements. The same syndicate has purchased a controlling interest in the Conowingo Bridge Company.

News from Princess Anne on Thursday May 24th, told of the sudden death at the parsonage at Deal's Island, of Rev. Charles P. Swain, one of the best-known ministers of the Wilmington M. E. Conference. Mr. Swain was appointed to Deal's Island at last conference, in all the active debates and particularly on the temperence resolutions. He had been stationed at Hollandsville prior to the last conference. He was 41 years of age.

A distressing accident occurred near Harris' wharf, Still Pond Neck, last Friday morning, when the three-your-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Robinson was burned to death. The unfortunate little boy got possession of some matches, without the knowledge of his mother and by igniting them set fire to his clothes and was fatally burned before the flames could be extinguished by the distracted mother. The child lingered amid terrible suffering for a short time when death came to its relief.

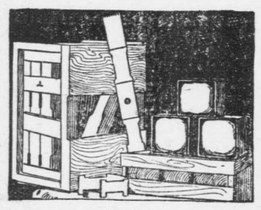
City Councilman Jonathan Groves of Wilmington, was accidently killed Monday morning while at work at the William Davidson Marble Works, at which place he was employed as foreman. Some of the workmen had left a large block of marble jacked up and one of the jacks flew out and struck Mr. Groves in the head just as he was passing it. The blow was a severe one and he died almost immediately. A widow and four children survive him. His funeral was held Thursday and was very largely attended.

James Moody, a fifteen-year old colored boy, was lodged in jail at Chestertown for shooting his twelve-year-old companion. The boy was stationed in the field of James T. Ireland, a farmer living near Still Pond with a gun to shoot blackbirds and crows, which were destroying the corn crop. The younger boy come along, and the boy with the gun told him to look out, at the same time pointing the gun at his breast only a few feet away. In an instant the gun was discharged, and the entire load entered just in front of the shoulder and taking an upward course. It is not expected that the unfortunate boy can recover.

Harry Godwin, one of the three young men in the Georgetown jail charged with assulting Miss Tyre, of Roxana, was reported to have been married in jail Tuesday. The announcement of his engagement to Miss Annie Farlow, of Ocean View, was recently made, and a visit to the jail Tuesday by Miss Farlow and another lady gave rise to the report of a wedding. Sheriff Robert Short, who was at the jail door, says that no wedding occurred. Miss Farlow is doing her best to secure her fiance's release. She has retained Lawyer John M. Richardson as counsel for Goodwin, and he says he will show that Goodwin is not guilty. He also alleges that Miss Tyre is not 17, but 27 years of age. Goodwin and his two companions are kept closely confined to their ceils and no one but their counsel is allowed to see them.

Sections For Honey.

The accompanying cut shows the section box which is now so largely used for getting comb honey stored in marketable shape. A crate of sections



SECTION BOXES.

is seen and a shipping case of honey in sections, with three sections resting on top. In the center is seen a section before it is folded in a square and the dovetailed ends driven together.—Farm, Field and Fireside.

TO FIRST VOTERS

There is a constitutional provision which will become operative before the next general election is held, of which the general public may not be aware, although it has been published in connection with the Constitutional Convention. It is an educational test. It is "that no person who becomes of age or who is naturalized after January 1st, 1900, shall be permitted to vote who shall not be able to read the Constitution in English, and be capable of writing his name."

OVER A MILLION

10-cent packages of Johnson's Kidney Pills have been sold. It was the first Reliable Kidney Remedy offered the public at a *popular price*, and is the ONLY ONE that is GUARANTEED to cure all diseases of the KIDNEYS, BLADDER and URINARY ORGANS. What better testimonials could we give. 25 Pills to cents. By mail for five 2-cent stamps.

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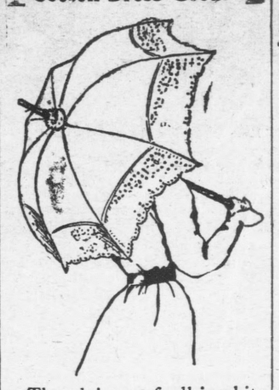
Philadelphia, Monday, May 28, 1900.

Cotton Dress Goods



The plainest of all is white duck (10c to 18c a yard) with either a medium or short skirt, and carefully planned bolero or Eton coat. The best styles have a little belt, which fastens simply with a small silver clasp, or even a nickel harness buckle, at the waist—keeps the jacket in place, and adds a touch of care that everybody who sees appreciates.

Perhaps the most attractive of all truly simple gowns, is the shirt-waist suit.

It has the advantage of being distinctively American—and try as she may, an English woman cannot wear it with grace.

"Half-and-half" or linen-madras, is one of the coolest and daintiest of cotton goods to make them of (28c to 50c a yard); but some of the most fetching are of Scotch and American gingham (Scotch, 20c to 40c; American, 10c to 37½c) which washes easily and successfully.

The waist is made as simply as possible after a box or knife pleated shirt-waist model—with the shirt sleeve and cuff; or the cuff may flare.

The skirt should be as plain as possible too, with or without flaring below the knee—or possibly with a flounce.

A remarkably striking suit of plain pique (12½c to 60c) is worn with a white shirt-waist. The jacket cut after the old Norfolk jacket, but made without a collar—fitting just below the linen collar—a little low, like a vest, in front to show the tie, and finished with a one inch facing, closely stitched.

The blouse is loose—not too loose; ending with a narrow belt of the same.

The truth is ginghams (10c to 40c a yard), lawns (9c to 35c a yard), Madras (12½c to 40c a yard) and cotton chevIots (12½c to 40c) are as cool and beautiful as anything, and will be worn more than for years in these stunning shirt-waist suits. So if you have a short skirt and plenty of shirt-waists—and shirt-waists were never as pretty as now—you need have no fear of not being well enough dressed for a Queen's jubilee—if it be daylight.

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Matting $5 a Roll

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Another importer told us the other day that such matting couldn't be sold for that at wholesale.

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LEAVE BALTIMORE, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 2.45 p. m. Saturdays at 10.30 a. m. for above landings.
FARE—One Way, 50c.
Round Trip, 75 Cents.
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St. George's hundred,
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Delaware College.

Entrance Examinations.

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Wilmington, Middletown, Smyrna, Dover Milford, Georgetown. Lewes, Seaford and Laurel.

All who wish to take the examinations will kindly notify the president of the college as early as possible. Part of the examination may be taken in June and the rest in September.

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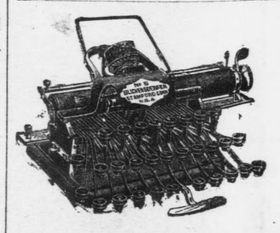

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South Bound—12.54, 9.11 and 11.50 a. m.; 3.54, 5.18 and 7.51 p. m.

Mails Close as Follows.

Going North—7.30 a. m., 10.04 a. m., 3.55 p. m.
Going South—8.30 a. m., 5.00 p. m.
5.40 p. m., lock pouch to Wilmington and Philadelphia.
For Odessa.—9.10 a. m. 11.45 a. m., 5.00 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton, Earlville and Sassafras—9.10 a. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., JUNE 2, 1900.

Local News.

WANTED.—A good colored cook for city. Apply to W. R. Reynolds.

STRAWBERRIES have been very plentiful in town during the past week.

THE residence of Mr. Edward Reynolds has been fitted up with a bath room.

THE residence of Dr. T. H. Gilpin is being beautified by a fresh coat of paint.

THE commencement exercises of the Academy will be held on Friday evening, June 15th.

The way to double the profits from your cows is to use an American Hand Separator. Write or call on J. F. McWhorter & Son for a special catalogue of same.

John Armstrong has introduced the meat business in connection with his line of groceries. He carries a line of good, tender and juicy steak that does not require a hammer and wedge to chew. Give him a trial.

J. Frank Brinkerhoff, of Philadelphia, Pa., Specialist in Lenses for the Eye, will again be in Middletown at Mrs. Massey's Jewelry Store, on Tuesday, June 5th. If you are having trouble with your eyes call and see him. No charge for examination and advice.

PICNIC.—Some of the larger pupils at the public School celebrated Decoration Day in a picnic at Cool Spring, near Odessa. Under the chaperonage of Mrs. James Reynolds and Miss Mary Shallcross. The girls and boys had a delightful time, rowing on the lake and roaming through the woods.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.—The following list of letters remains unclaimed in the post office for the week ending May 26th, 1900: Ladies—Clara Chambers, Mrs. B. Gaddie, Mrs Debbie Hall, Miss Sadie Lambert. Gentlemen—Isaac Emarag, Abe Griffen, Philip Simons. JOHN W. JOLLS, P. M.

CRAP SHOOTERS.—Last Saturday evening about half a dozen colored crap shooters were busy "shooting the bones" along the railroad near the freight house when they were suddenly surprised to find themselves being watched by the authorities. They were all arrested and brought before 'Squire Reynolds who fined them $1.63 each.

We now have in the Railroad Ware house a full assortment of different brands of Fertilizers suitable for Spring Crops, and can fill your order from one bag to ten tons on a minute's notice. Send along your wagons and we will load them at once. Office hours from 6 30 A. M., till 9 P. M.
JESSE L. SHEPHERD,
S. M. REYNOLDS, Agent.

A LARGE MAGNOLIA.—A 10 seed magnolia is on exhibition in Wilmington that was grown on the farm of J. M. Foster, near Middletown. The plant is as large as an ordinary dish pan. It contains eight leaves each more than a foot wide. The bulb is as large as an ordinary sugar bowl. The tree upon which it grew is very large and has several more buds, but so far this one is the largest. Such a large magnolia is rare.

When buying a wheel why not buy it where you can get the best at lowest prices? Look at some of our leaders: Columbias, Hartfords, Ramblers, Clippers, Ideals, Genevas, Stearns, Barnes' White Flyers, Syracuse, Bradford and others. Sundries at the lowest possible prices. Pumps, 14c; Toe Clips, 8c; Pant Guards, 2c per pair; Tire Tape, 2c; Screw Drivers, 4c; other things in proportion. J. H. BURROWS, next to Express office.

BASE BALL.—Last Saturday afternoon a game of base ball took place in this town between the home team and one from Fort DuPont. The home boys while not regularly organized put up a strong game and had it not been for a few misplays towards the close of the game would have won. In the seventh inning the score stood 6 to 2 in favor of our boys but the soldiers won out by a score of 9 to 6. A good sized crowd witnessed the game.

DECORATION DAY.—Last Wednesday being Decoration Day several of the stores and other buildings in town were decorated with flags and bunting. The day was not generally observed by our citizens except a large number of ladies and children visiting the different cemeteries and placing flowers on the graves of their dear departed ones. During the day there was no session of the public schools much to the delight of the little ones. The Delaware Shirt Company granted its employes a half holiday and during the day the banks were also closed.

THE ECLIPSE.—The total eclipse of the sun was most successfully viewed and photographed by astronomers in the Southeastern United States and in Northern Africa Monday morning. In many other sections of the world scientists and layman studied the shadowed sun under less favorable conditions, and millions were privileged to see it almost at totality. A few remarkable features, not heretofore recorded on such occasions, have been already reported, and additional information valuable to the world of astronomy is promised. At Middletown the obscuration at its maximum was nearly a total eclipse and was viewed by hundreds of our citizens through smoked glass. The atmospheric condition for observation was superb, a thin veil of cloud, at times, affording a splendid protection for the eye.

PRACTICE sometimes makes a perfect nuisance.

Give us a chance to do your job printing. Our rates are very reasonable.

DR. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

J. K. Long wants wool, and will pay highest market price for it, Apply at the old stand, Middletown, Delaware.

For choice beef call at the new stand of John Armstrong next to Parker's Harness store. His prices are reasonable, and meat tender.

CHANGE OF TIME TABLE.—The new railroad time table went into effect on Monday last. The following are the hours trains leave Middletown, the changes being marked with a *: Northward—A. M., 3.30, 7.50, 9 20, 10.23*; P. M., 4.16, 5 58*. Southward—A. M., 9.11, 11.50; P. M., 3.54*, 5.18, 8 51 and 12.54.

FOR SALE.—I have a handsome overstuffed parlor suit of five pieces that cost me a year ago $70.00, that I will sell for $35.00 if sold soon. Also a new velvet parlor carpet at an equally low price. These goods are guaranteed as good as new and are only sold because I have no further use for them. Call or address John H. Sebi, TRANSCRIPT office, Middletown, Del.

THANK OFFERING SERVICES.—The annual thank offering service of the W. F. M. S. at Bethesda M. E. Church last Sunday evening under the management of Miss A. G. Cox, president, was very successful. Rev. E. W. Caswell, pastor, made the address; Misses Parker and Vansant rendered a responsive recitation and song service very beautifully. The collection $41.00, a very gratifying amount.

BACCALAURATE SERMON. — The Baccalaurate Sermon before the graduates of the Middletown District School will be preached by Rev. E. W. Caswell in Bethesda M. E. Church, on Sunday evening, June 10th. The Children's Day service will be held on Sunday morning of June 10th, instead of in the evening. This change is made in order to accommodate many of other churches who desired to be present at the baccalaurate exercises and could not well do so on Sunday morning.

CHILDREN'S DAY.—The Forest Presbyterian Sunday School will observe Children's Day on to-morrow (Sunday) evening, no preaching service will be held in the morning. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered on Sunday morning, June 10 h. The preparatory service will be held on Saturday afternoon June 9 h, at three o'clock. The session will meet immediately after the preparatory service and also on Sunday morning at 10.15 o'clock to receive those desiring to unite with the church.

PATENT PRYERS.—Some time ago J. Warner Brock-on, foreman of the blacksmith shop of George W. Peterson, secured a patent on a pair of horseshoe pryers. During the past week he has had several hundred pair manufactured and is now making arrangements for putting them on the market. He has associated James Wingard, of Easton, Md., with him in the business and they intend pushing the thing for all there is in it. The pryers is a good tool for horseshoes to have and will be found very handy. It seems to be a double pair of pinchers for extracting shoes off the hoofs of horses. You first place them in position on the hoof and by pulling a lever one part holds the hoof while the other pulls the old shoe off. A person using them can save considerable time besides there is no pulling and hauling to do.

A SAD ACCIDENT.—A few minutes after 10 o'clock last Wednesday night a sad accident occured at what is known as "Buck Bridge" over the Delaware and Chesapeake canal near the village of Summit Bridge. The Epworth League of the Methodist church at that place were holding a strawberry festival in Comegy's Hall during the evening and among those in attendance was Mr. George L. Huggins and several companions who drove there in their teams. After enjoying themselves a start was made for home when the accident causing the death of Mr. Huggins happened. In driving down the hill approaching the canal bridge Mr. Huggins did not notice the bridge being turned off and the whole team went overboard as almost did one following which was only stopped a few feet from the end of the approach. Mr. Huggins had as a companion Mr. Roney Cunningham, while the team following contained Messrs. Irving Dayett and A. McMullen. Mr. Cunningham succeeded in freeing himself from the buggy and swam ashore but Mr. Huggins and the horse were drowned. The carriage was also wrecked. The body of the drowned man was immediately secured by the two gentlemen who occupied the second buggy and brought ashore and placed in the bridge house. The space between the bridge and the water is 45 feet and the depth of the water at the place is about 10 feet deep. Coroner Vandever was notified of the accident and issued a certificate of accidental drowning without summoning a jury. There is a red light at each end of the bridge but it could not be seen while the bridge is in the position it was—half way turned off—but can be seen when the bridge is either on or off. This accident ought to cause the canal company to place better lights on the bridge and place them so they can be seen at all times. Mr. Huggins was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Huggins, of Glasgow, and was an exemplary young man of 25 years of age. He was employed as foreman at Dayett's flour mill while his companion was also employed there. His watch stopped at exactly 10.20. The accident put a sad ending to the festival being held at the town and is one that will be remembered a long while by those living in that neighborhood.

SERVICES at Old St. Anne's next Sunday; the Old Drawyer's anniversary to-morrow.

For the choicest beef in town go to John Armstrong's. He has just what you want. Also a full line of groceries. Remember his new store.

SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.—The subject for to-morrow evening's meetings of the Christian Endeavor Society and the Epworth League will be: "How to be a Good Neighbor," Luke 10: 25 37. You are especially invited to attend these services.

A LARGE SNAKE.—Mr. Charles P. Cochran yesterday killed in the public road a black snake six feet long and body as thick as his wrist. His mate had evidently been killed and he showed fight. Mr. Cochran's hostler did some tall running when he discovered his snakeship in the carriage.

THE GRADUATES.—As announced the "Baccalaurate" sermon of the public schools will be delivered Sunday, June 10th, at Bethesda M. E. Church. The graduating exercises will be held Friday evening, June 15th. William S. Hillis, Esq., of Wilmington, will deliver the address. The graduates are: Katherine Truax, Bertha A. Gary, Mary F. Holten, Eva E. Whitlock, Eugene Shallcross and Roy Voshell.

FOR SALE.—1000 Bushels of Northern-grown Early Rose Potatoes.
500 Bushels of Northern-grown Early Beauty of Hebron.
500 Bushels of Northern-grown Early Ohio's.
1200 Bushels of Black Cow Peas.
1000 Bushels of White Seed Oats.
2200 Bushels of Western Re-cleaned Clover Seed.
300 Bushels of Seed Sweet Potatoes.
500 Bushels of Crimson Clover Seed.
JOSEPH E. HOLLAND,
Milford, Del.

THE DOVER MURDERER.—Following is a description of Frank Brown, the colored man who murdered another colored man at Dover last Monday: Age, about 38 years; height, 5 feet 8 inches; weight, 150 to 160 pounds mustache and hair mixed with gray, square shoulders, wore brown suit, black slouch hat and striped blue shirt. A man answering the above description was seen to get on a north-bound freight train at Mt. Pleasant on Thursday by a gang of railroad workmen but it is not sure whether or not he was the right man.

ANNUAL REUNION.—The friends of Old Drawyers will hold their annual reunion at the church near Odessa, tomorrow. If the weather is propitious, it is expected that the old church will have a large crowd. Other Presbyterian churches in this vicinity will close in order that their congregations may attend the reunion services. In the morning the sermon will be preached by the Rev. William Frederick Lewis of the Rodney Street Presbyterian Church, Wilmington. Numerous other clergymen will be present. In the afternoon John V. Craven, of Salem, N. J., president of the Friends of Old Drawyers, will preside. A paper will be read by Henry C. Conard, of Wilmington, on the early divines of the Peninsula, who subsequently attained prominence in other fields.

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Special Jury for Libel Suit.

Monday has been fixed as the day for hearing the libel suit of State Detective B. J. McVey against Peter J. Ford. The detective is asking for $100,000. The suit grew out of charges which Mr. Ford made against the detective and which were not proven. Mr. Ford made the charges before the State Senate at the last session of the Legislature, alleging the detective accepted bribes.

The following gentlemen from this part of the county has been drawn to try the case.

Pencader—Thomas Davidson, James McIntire, W. T. Dayett.

Red Lion—John Vail.

St. Georges—Clarence E Poole, James N. Warren, John W. Carrow, Jr., John G. Armstrong.

Appoquinimink—Thomas Maloney, John W. Denney, Augustus Gibbs.

Blackbird—William G. Pryor.

The following special jurymen have been drawn from the same hundreds in the case of Hoffman vs. Wilmington City Railway Company on June 6th:

Pencader—Thomas Davidson, Edwin S. Armstrong.

Red Lion—Charles Jefferson, Clayton M. Riley.

St. Georges—Robert Whittock, Isaac J. Woods, Joshua Clayton, Jr., James M. Warren, Merrit N. Willits.

Appoquinimink—Frederic Knotts, Thos. Lattomus.

Blackbird—George R. Donovan.

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Improvements at the Fort.

At Fort DuPont Thursday Captain DeLafittee, quartermaster, opened bids for additional buildings to be erected at the fortification. Altogether 25 proposals were received but a careful consideration will have to be given them before the lowest bid can be estimated, as many subbids were entered. The improvements will include two barracks, two sets of quarters for non-commissioned officers, administration building, stable, wagon building, bake house, guard house, hospital, and hospital stewards' headquarters. The awards will be made in a few days.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

Mr. Lee Bradley is at home for a few days.

Mrs. Stephen Boyer is improving very slowly.

Mrs. W. E. Barnard is in the Monumental City.

Miss Elizabeth Parker is visiting Philadelphia friends.

Mr. A. E. Ginn has returned to his home in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Fannie C. Williams left on Monday for Atlantic City.

Miss Clarabel Wilson visited her sister in Philadelphia this week.

Miss Hattie Morgan, of Chesapeake City, is visiting Miss Clayton.

Mr. Robert L. Johnson was a Philadelphia visitor on Wednesday.

Mrs. C. Crouch and Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd were in Wilmington Monday.

Miss Mollie Burris has returned from a trip to Philadelphia and Chester.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. O'Neal, of near town, spent Sunday in Wilmington.

Mrs. Harry Dempsey, of Newport, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Albert Price.

Miss Fannie Burstan has returned from a visit to Philadelphia and New York.

Mrs. Horace Vaughan came up from Atlantic City to spend Decoration Day.

Mrs. Rebecca Emerson, of Wilmington, is visiting her son, Mr. Jacob H. Emerson.

Mrs. J. J. Shannon spent Monday visiting relatives and friends in Wilmington.

Miss Allie McKee left on Wednesday for Baltimore. She will return home to-day.

Mrs. J. C. Staats, and children of Fairlee, Md., are visiting Mrs. Staat's mother in town.

Mr. Victor Cochran is home from Dental College. He completes the course next year.

Miss Patten, of Philadelphia, is the guest of her aunts and cousins on Green street.

Mr. Fred. C. Crouch, of Atlantic City, is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. C Crouch.

Druggist Bragdon has been confined to the house with rheumatism several days this week.

Mrs. Ella Cochran spent the week with her son Clarence at his home near Kennedyville, Md.

Mrs. Harry Dempsey, nee Miss Lydia Echenhofer, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Albert Price.

Mrs. J. Cowgill Alston leaves early next week for Seranac Lake in the Adirondacks for her health.

Miss Duncan, of Marshallton, and Miss Snodgrass, of Wilmington, are guests of Miss Adda Foard.

Mr. G. E. Hukill returned Thursday evening from the sessions of the General Conference at Chicago.

Mrs. Catharine Merritt had her daughter, Mrs. W. J. H. Lingo, of Philadelphia, as her guest during the past week.

Mr. Thomas S. Fouracre, formerly of this office, has resigned his position in Atlantic City, and accepted one in Camden, N. J.

Henry C. Conrad, Esq., and Mr. William Metten, of Wilmington, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Metten over Sunday.

Mr. and and Mrs. Lee Kenyon, of Wilmington, and Mr. and Mrs. William Brown, of the same place, were Wednesday visitors in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Monro attended the funeral of their friend, Miss Barbara J. Beith, Wednesday afternoon, May 30th, at Blackbird, interment at Smyrna.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baker, of Dover, spent Sunday with their son, E. N. Baker and wife. They made the trip with their handsome double team and throughly enjoyed the ride.

Mr. Walter S. Letherbury and Mr. George Hazel spent Sunday in Smyrna. Mr. Letherbury played the bass violin in the orchestra at the Presbyterian Church there during the day.

Miss Mabel Townsend Parvis, daughter of Mrs. Henrietta V. Parvis, of this town, and Mr. Henry M. Schroder, of Lancaster, Pa., will be married on Thursday, June 14. The ceremony will be performed at Forest Presbyterian Church at 12.30 P. M.

The many friends here of Miss Addie Hazzard will be interested to know that she will spend the summer at Ocean Grove, N. J. and after June 10th will be at the "Carrollton," assisting Mrs. Wilson in the management of that very popular "cottage" in Ocean Pathway.

Miss Julia Newton, of St. Georges, was the guest of Mrs. I. S. Vallandingham on Sunday. During the day she assisted the choir of Forest Presbyterian Church at both morning and evening services. Miss Newton has a sweet voice and her solos were thoroughly enjoyed by all present at those services, who wish they may have the pleasure of hearing her again.

Mrs. Barbara J. Beith of near Blackbird died at her late residence Sunday after a lingering illness caused by consumption, aged 26 years. Interment was made in Glenwood Cemetery, Smyrna, Wednesday afternoon, Rev. George P. Jones officiated.

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A DESPERARE NEGRO.

Wilmington Sun.

Constable Collins, of Middletown, has landed in the jail at New Castle, William Wiggans, colored, charged with breaking into and entering the home of Mary Dennis colored, residing near Middletown, late at night and attempting an assault.

The penalty for Wiggan's offence is death. The negro after entering the house by forcing a window, made his way to the room of the woman. Her screams startled neighbors who, fearing the place was on fire broke into the house. Wiggans escaped through a rear window.

When Constable Collins later attempted to arrest Wiggans he made a dash and escaped. The hunt took the constable over ploughed and planted fields and swamps for nearly three and one half miles until Wiggans dashed into a mill pond in water several feet deep. Collins fired the last shot from his revolver at the man and then waded out after him. He caught him and brought him back to Middletown. The accused was given a hearing before Magistrate Reynolds and committed to jail. When asked at the hearing whether or not he had anything to say he said, "The woman tells the truth."

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The Rock Island Springs a Surprise on the Colorado Lines at To-day's Meeting.

The Trans-Missouri Committee of the Western Passenger Association is holding its annual meeting at the Brown Palace Hotel. A surprise was sprung on the committee at the morning session, by General Passenger Agent Sebastian, of the Rock Island. Beginning about June 20, the Rock Island will run four excursions from Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City and Omaha to Colorado common points, making the rate of one fare plus $2 for the round trip and return limit of October 31 on the tickets. These excursions will be run as special excursion trains and about the same dates return excursions will be run from Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo to the Eastern points, the same rate prevailing, thus enabling Colorado people desiring to do so to make tourists trips East during the summer with the same advantages granted Eastern tourists who come West.

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SECRET SOCIETIES.

Middletown Council, No. 2, Jr. O. U. A. M. Meets every Monday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Union Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M. Meets first Tuesday of each month in Town Hall.

Good Samaritan Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F. Meets every Thursday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

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LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Volunteer Hose Company, meets first Friday night of each month in Hose House.

THE CHURCHES.

Bethesda M. E. Church.—Rev. E. W. Caswell, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 10.30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath School every Sabbath at 2 p. m., A. G. Cox, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, every Thursday evening, 7.30 o'clock. Junior Epworth League and Epworth Cadets every Friday night at 7 o'clock. Young Ladies' Mission Circle, Monday nights at Parsonage. Women's Foreign Missionary Society, first Friday night of each month. Women's Home Missionary Society, first Thursday night of each month. Mite Society, first Saturday night of each month. Official Board meeting first Friday afternoon of each month at 2.30 o'clock.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN!

THIS IS TO CERTIFY TO ALL TO whom these presents may come, That we, Robert S. Baird, of the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware, and James C. McComb, of Brandywine hundred, New Castle county and State of Delaware, have this day entered into a limited partnership for the purpose of carrying on the trade and business of manufacturing and dealing in morocco and other leathers, and all things thereunto belonging or appertaining, under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, upon the terms hereinafter set forth.

The said partnership is to be conducted under the partnership name of Charles Baird and Company and the general object of the partnership is to carry on the trade and business of manufacturing and dealing in morocco and other leathers, and all things thereunto belonging or appertaining.

The names and residences of the said partners are as follows: The general partner of the said firm is Robert S. Baird, living in the city of Wilmington, New Castle county and State of Delaware, and the special partner is James C. McComb, of Brandywine hundred, New Castle county and State of Delaware.

That the said James C. McComb, the special partner, has contributed the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars to the common stock of the said partnership.

That the said partnership is to commence on the sixteenth day of November, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and ninety nine, and is to end on the first day of December, A. D., nineteen hundred.

In Witness Whereof, We have hereunto set our hands and seals, at the City of Wilmington and State of Delaware, this sixteenth day of November, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

ROBT. S. BAIRD [Seal.]
JAMES C McCOMB [Seal.]

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the presence of Lewis Sasse.

STATE OF DELAWARE, } ss.
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, }

Be it Remembered, That on the sixteenth day of November, A. D., one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, personally came before me, Lewis Sasse, a Justice of the Peace for New Castle county in the State of Delaware, Robert S. Baird and James C. McComb, parties to the foregoing certificate, known to me personally to be such, and severally acknowledged that they signed and sealed the said Certificate for the purposes therein set forth, and that the same is their act, and each of their, act and deed

Given under my hand and seal the day and year last aforesaid.

LEWIS SASSE, [Seal.]
Justice of the Peace.

REGISTER'S ORDER.

REGISTER'S OFFICE,
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL.
April 25th, 1900.

On the application of Christopher J. Siegrist, Executor of Lydia Smith, late of St. George's Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Executor aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof and causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in three of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, duly to abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper printed and published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register aforesaid, at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

SEAL
CALVIN W. CROSSAN, Register.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the twenty-fifth day of April A. D. 1900, and that all persons having claims against the state of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Executor, on or before the twenty-fifth day of April, 1901, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

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ROBERT HARDY'S SEVEN DAYS.

A DREAM AND ITS CONSEQUENCES.

BY REV. CHARLES M. SHELDON,

Author of "In His Steps," "The Crucifixion of Philip Strong," "Malcom Kirk," Etc.

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CHAPTER VI.

As the engine drew near the scene of the wreck a great crowd could be seen standing about the track. Before the train came to a stop Robert Hardy leaped down from the cab and struggled forward, uttering cries of which he himself probably was not conscious. The accident had occurred upon a bridge which spanned a small river in the vicinity of Baldwin, near which town Mr. Hardy's brother lived.

The engine, mail car, two day coaches and two sleepers had crashed through and, falling a distance of 50 feet, had partly broken through the ice of the frozen stream. To add to the horror of the disaster the two sleepers had caught fire, and there was absolutely no means to fight it. Mr. Hardy caught confused glimpses of men down on the ice throwing handfuls of snow upon the blazing timbers in a frantic attempt to drive back or put out the flames. He fell rather than scrambled down the steep, slippery bank of the stream, and then the full horror of the situation began to dawn upon him.

The baggage car and tender had fallen in such a way that the trucks rested upright on the ice, and the position of the timbers was relatively that of the train before it had left the track. One day coach lay upon its side, but had broken completely in two as if some giant hand had pulled it apart, leaving the ragged ends of timbers projecting toward one another in such curious fashion that if the two ends of the car had been pushed toward the middle the splintered beams would have fitted into place almost as if made on a pattern. The other day coach had fallen upon one end, and one-third of the entire coach was under water. The other end, resting partly against the broken car, stuck up in the air like some curious, fantastic pillar or leaning tower.

Mr. Hardy was conscious of all this and more as he heard the groans of the injured and the cries of those begging to be released from the timbers under which they had been caught. But his own children! Never had he loved them as now.

The crowd of people had increased to a mob. The confusion was that of terror. Mr. Hardy rushed about the wreck searching for his children, a great throbbing at his heart as he thought of their probable fate, when the sweetest of all sounds, Bessie's dear voice, came to him, and the next minute he had caught up the child as she ran to him and strained her to his breast as in the old days when he had carried her about the house and yard.

"Where are Will and Clara?"

"Oh, father, they're here, and Will wasn't hurt much more than I was, but Clara has fainted, and she is lying down over here!"

Bess dragged her father out across the ice to the edge of the bank, where a number of the victims had been laid on the cushions of the seats, some dead, some dying. There lay Clara very white and still, with Will bending over her, himself bleeding from several wounds about the head and hands, but still conscious and trying to restore his sister.

Mr. Hardy kneeled down in the snow by his son's side, and Will, seeing him there, was not surprised, but he sobbed excitedly, "Oh, she is dead!"

"No," replied her father; "she is not."

Clara stirred, and her lips moved, but she did not open her eyes, and then her father noticed that a strange mark lay over her face.

How Mr. Hardy succeeded in carrying the girl to the top of the bank; how he left her there in the care of brave hearted women while he went down into that hell's pit to rescue victims imprisoned and groaning for help; how Bess related the accident of the night and tried to explain how she was not hurt except a scratch or two because she fell between two car seat cushions that were jammed around her and protected her from injury; how the excitement grew as it was discovered that the dead and dying would number more than 75 instead of 10 or 12, as Burns had telephoned; how finally Robert Hardy and Will and Bess and Clara, with other victims, were taken back to Barton, where a great crowd of anxious, pale faced people was surging through the station and over the track; how James Caxton was first to board the train down by the shops at the risk of his neck as in the rainy darkness he swung himself on the dead run up to the platform of the coach; how Mrs. Hardy met her children and husband; how there was sorrow in many a home in Barton that night and for many days to come; how Mr. Hardy finally, a little after midnight, entirely exhausted by the events of the day and night, fell asleep and dreamed the scene all over again—all this and a great deal more might be of interest concerning one of the most remarkable railroad accidents that ever occurred in this country, but would be out of place in this narrative. For it is all true, exactly and literally, only the detailed horrors of it no pen can describe, no words can tell.

Mr. Hardy woke about 8 o'clock rested, but feeling very lame and sore from his exertions of the night. His first thought was of Clara. When he went to sleep, the girl seemed to be resting without pain, only that strange mark across her face made them all anxious. It was not a bruise, but it lay like a brand across the eyes, which had not opened since her father found her lying by the frozen stream.

James had insisted on staying in the house to be of service, and Mrs. Hardy had felt grateful for his presence as she watched for returning consciousness from Clara, who still gave no more sign of animation, although she breathed easily and seemed to be free from pain. Every doctor and surgeon in town had been summoned to the scene of the accident. But Mr. Hardy felt so anxious for Clara as he came in and looked at her that he went down stairs and asked James if he wouldn't run out and see if any of the doctors had returned.

"Yes, sir; I'll go at once. How is she now, Mr. Hardy?" James looked him in the face with the look that love means when it is true and brave.

"My boy," replied Mr. Hardy, laying his hand on James's shoulder, "I don't know. There is something strange about it. Get a doctor if you can. But I know there must be many other sad homes today in Barton. Oh, it was horrible!"

He sat down and covered his face, while James with a brief "God help us, sir!" went out in search of a doctor.

Mr. Hardy went up stairs again and, with his wife, knelt down and offered a prayer of thanksgiving and of appeal. "O Lord," said Robert, "grant that this dear one of ours may be restored to us again. Spare us this anguish, not in return for our goodness, but out of thy great compassion for our sins repented of."

Will and Bess lay in the next room, and now that the reaction had set in they were sleeping, Will feverish and restless, Bess quiet and peaceful, as if nothing had happened out of the usual order of things.

"Where is George?" asked Mr. Hardy as he rose from his prayer.

"I don't know, Robert. He started down to the train a little while after you did. Haven't you seen him?"

"No, Mary. God grant he may not"—Mr. Hardy did not dare finish his thought alond.

His wife guessed his thought, and together the two sat hand in hand drawn very near by their mutual trouble and by all the strange events of that strange week, and together they talked of the accident and of Clara and James and their eldest son, and then Mrs. Hardy said as she trembling drew her husband's face near to her:

"Robert, do you still have that impression concerning the time left you here to live? Do you still think this week is to be the end?"

Mrs. Hardy had a vague hope that the shock of the accident might have destroyed the impression of the dream but her hope was disappointed.

"My dear wife," replied Robert, "there is not the least doubt in my

"Oh, she is dead!"

mind that my dream was a vision of what will happen. There is no question but that after Sunday I shall not be with you. This is Wednesday. How lightninglike the days have flown! How precious the moments are! How many of them I have wasted in foolish selfishness! Mary, I should go mad with the thought if I did not feel the necessity of making this week the best week of my life, only I do not know what is most important to do. If it had been seven months or even seven weeks, I might have planned more wisely. Oh, it is cruelly brief, the time! But I must make the wisest possible use of it. This accident, so unexpected, has complicated the matter. I had not reckoned on it."

How many of us do reckon on accidents? They always come into our lives with a shock. Yet it seems possible that a man who lives very close to God every day might be so ready for everything that not even the most terrible catastrophe could make much difference to his plans for daily life, least of all deprive him of his reason, as it has so often done. Robert Hardy was just beginning to realize dimly that life is not one thing, but many things, and that its importance is the importance which belongs to the character of God himself.

He began to talk calmly with his wife concerning what he would do that day and was still talking about it when James came in with a doctor, who at once went up stairs. He was just from the scene of the accident and bore marks of a hard night's work. His first glance at Clara was hard and professional, but as he looked he grew very grave, and an expression of serious surprise came over his weary face. He laid his hands on the girl's eyes and examined them, raised her hand and dropped it upon the bed again. Then, turning to the father and mother, he said gently:

"You must prepare yourselves for a terrible fact resulting from the accident to your daughter. She has suffered a shock that will probably render her blind as long as she lives."

Mr. and Mrs. Hardy listened, pale faced and troubled. It was hard to think of the girl, so strong willed, so passionate and yet so capable of noble impulses and loving desires, as all her life shut up within the darkness thus. It was bitter to think of this for her. What would it be to her when she awoke to the whole consciousness of it?

The doctor spoke again slowly: "There is another thing you ought to be prepared for. In rare cases like this it happens sometimes that a loss of hearing accompanies the loss of sight." Then, after a pause: "And with the loss of sight and hearing it is possible the peculiar shock has deprived your daughter of the power of speech. I do not know yet whether this has happened, but I prepare you for the worst."

"Blind and deaf and dumb!" murmured Mr. Hardy, while his wife sat down and buried her face in the bedclothes and sobbed. It seemed terrible to them.

The doctor, after a little further examination, said nothing more could be done at present, gave directions for certain necessary treatment and departed after giving a look at Will and Bess and prescribing for them.

Mr. Hardy went down stairs and quietly told James all that the doctors had said. To a man living on the verge of eternity, as Mr. Hardy was, there was no time for evasions or the postponing of bad news or the utterance of soft speeches.

James took the news more calmly than Mr. Hardy thought he would. It was evident he did not realize all that was meant by it.

"Can you love Clara under these conditions?" asked Mr. Hardy, looking at James with a sympathy that the young man could not help feeling.

"Yes, sir; more than ever. Why, is she not more in need of it than ever?"

"True, but what can you do with a helpless creature like that?"

"God help us, sir! If she were my wife now and were dependent on me, don't you think I could care for her tenderly, better than any one else in the world?"

Mr. Hardy shook his head. "This is a hard blow to me, James. I don't know just what to say yet. But it is possible the poor girl may not have to suffer all that. Let us hope the doctor is not justified in his supposition. Indeed, he said he could not tell for certain that loss of hearing and speech would follow. If it does, I cannot see how Clara can retain her reason when she recovers from the shock. James, I believe you are a good fellow. I have not forgotten my own courtship. I will not stand in the way between you and your love for Clara in anything right and reasonable. I had hoped we might have a good talk together over the matter. This accident has made it impossible for a time at least, but I confide in you as an honest, true man. We must wait for events to take shape. Meanwhile let us pray God to give us wisdom and lead us into the way we need to go."

James Caxton listened to Mr. Hardy with a feeling of astonishment. This was not the Robert Hardy he had known all his life; this was a new man. For a moment his own hopes and fears were almost lost sight of in the thought of the great change in the elder man. In a tumult of feeling he went home after begging Mrs. Hardy to send him word if Clara became worse or if there were any service he could render the family.

Robert went back up stairs, where his wife sat by the side of the injured girl.

"Mary," he said, "I must go down to the shops. You know I left word with Wellman to do what he could in the office until I could get down, but this accident has made it imperative that I be there myself. There are details the men cannot attend to. I cannot do any more here, and I must do what I can for the sufferers. God has been merciful to us, dear. Our dear ones are spared to us. Oh, when I heard Bessie's voice in that hell's pit it seemed to me God was taking pity on me for the burden I am carrying this week! And if she had been killed I do believe I should have gone mad. Pray for me, sweetheart!"

And with a kiss and embrace Robert left the house, and even in the sorrow of all her trouble Mrs. Hardy felt a great wave of joy flow through her at the thought of a love come back to her, and as she went to the window and watched the tall, strong figure swing down the street she almost felt a girl again and wondered if he would turn around and see her there and toss his hat to her as in the old days. Yes; just before he reached the corner where he had to turn he looked back up at the window, saw his wife standing there and took off his hat, with a smile, and she waved her hand at him and colored as when her Robert used to do the same thing while he was courting her.

"Two fools!" somebody says. Yes; two children of God who have seen his face and learned what all this life means.

He found much to do at the shops. The accident necessitated special work. It looked to him as if he must be down there all day. There was almost a panic in the planing rooms. The air was heavy with the horror of the night before. Owing to the wreck there was more need of work in the shops than ever, but along toward noon Burns came into the office, pulling a long face and asking Mr. Hardy to step across the yard and talk to the men, who had threatened, Burns said, to do mischief if they were not given the afternoon to go down to the scene of the disaster. Mr. Hardy, with a sinking heart, rose and followed Burns into the planing rooms. He told the foreman to get the men together in the center of the room. They stopped their machines and gathered in the largest open space between the planers, and Mr. Hardy addressed them:

"What do you want? Burns tells me there is dissatisfaction. Speak out so that we may know what the trouble is."

There was an awkward pause. Then one man spoke up:

"We think the company ought to give us the day off."

"What for?" asked Mr. Hardy mildly.

Under any other circumstances he would have told the men they might leave for good if they didn't like the pay and the company. He had done just that thing twice before, but things were different now. He looked at the men in a new light. He was a new man himself. Besides, it was imperative that the work in the shops go on. The company could ill afford to lose the work just at this particular time. All these considerations did not blind Robert to his obligations as an officer of the company. He was only anxious that no injustice should be done, so he said, "What for?" mildly and quietly and waited for an answer.

The spokesman was not quite ready with an answer. The directness of the question and the mildness of it also surprised him. Another man spoke up:

"Our friends were in the accident. We want to go see them."

"Very well. How many men had relatives or friends in the accident who are injured or killed? Let them step forward."

There was a moment of inaction. Then three men stepped out. Mr. Hardy said: "You may go if you want to. Why didn't you ask for leave off if you wanted it? What reason have you to suppose the company would refuse such a request? Now, what is the trouble with the rest? The company is not in a position to grant a holiday at this particular time, and you know it. Come, be fair, men! I can't shut down the shops all day to let you go and see a railroad wreck. Be reasonable! What do you want?"

Instantly Mr. Hardy stepped up between the two men before Burns could rise.

"We want more pay and freedom from Sunday work," said a big fellow, the Norwegian who ran the biggest planer in the shop. He had more than once proved troublesome to Burns, but he was a remarkably intelligent and skillful workman, and the foreman had endured much irritation on that account.

Mr. Hardy replied, still speaking pleasantly, "The matter of more pay is one we cannot well discuss here now, but I will say to you and all the rest that as far as it is in my power there shall be no more Sunday work demanded"—"while I live," Mr. Hardy was on the point of saying, but he said instead, "of the men in the shops."

"Still, that is not the question," replied the man in an insolent tone. Mr. Hardy looked at him more closely and saw that he had been drinking. Several of the workmen cried out:

"Shut up, Herman! Mr. Hardy be right! We be fools to make row now at this time!"

A dozen men started for their machines to go to work again, while Burns went up and laid his hand on the Norwegian's arm and said to him roughly:

"Quit off now. You've been dipping that beard of yours into a whisky barrel. Better mind your pegs or you get your walking papers."

"Mind your own, Burns," replied the big man heavily. "You be somethings of a beard drinker yourself if you had the beard."

Burns was so enraged at the drunken retort that he drew back as if to strike the man, when the Norwegian smote the foreman a blow that laid him sprawling in the iron dust. Instantly Mr. Hardy stepped up between the two men before Burns could rise. We have spoken of Robert's intense horror of the coarse physical vices. It seemed totally wrong to him that a workman should degrade himself with drink. Besides, he could not tolerate such actions in the shops. He looked the drunken man in the face and said sternly:

"You are discharged! I cannot afford to employ drunken men in these shops. You may go this instant."

The man leered at Mr. Hardy, raised his arm as if to strike, while the manager confronted him with a stern look, but before he could do any harm two or three of the men seized him and hustled him back to the other end of the shops, while Burns rose, vowing vengeance.

The men went back to their machines, and Mr. Hardy, with an anxious feeling of heart, went back into the office, satisfied that there would be no trouble at the shops for the rest of the day at least. He felt sorry that he had been obliged to discharge Herman, but he felt that he had done the right thing. The company could not afford in any way to employ men who were drunkards, especially not just at this time, when it began to be more than plainly hinted that the result of the accident on the road was due to the partial intoxication of a track inspector.

That accident was a complication in Robert Hardy's seven days. It was demanding of him precious time that he longed to spend in his family. At one time in the afternoon as he worked at the office Mr. Hardy was tempted to resign his position and go home, come what might. But, to his credit be it said, even in his most selfish moments formerly he had been faithful to his duties at the office. At present no one could take his place at once. He felt that his duty to the company and to the public demanded his services at the time of a crisis in railroad matters.

So he staid and worked on, praying as he worked for his dear ones and hoping, as no bad news came from home, that Clara was better. He had been to the telephone several times and had two or three short talks with his wife, and now, as it began to grow dark in the office, just as the lights were turned on, the bell rang again, and Mrs. Hardy called him up to tell him that the minister, Mr. Jones, had called and wanted to see him about some of the families that were injured in the accident in the foundry room.

"Tell Mr. Jones I will try to see him at the meeting tonight." (In Barton the church meeting fell on Wednesday.) "And tell him I will have something to give him for what he wants. How is Clara now?"

"No change yet. Will is suffering some from nervousness. He says he had a horrible dream of the accident this afternoon. Bess is about the same. Her escape was a miracle."

"Has George come home yet?"

"No. I am getting anxious about him. I wish you would inquire about him at the Bramleys' as you come up to supper."

"I will. I must leave very soon. This has been a terrible day down here. God keep us. Goodby."

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Wilmington	8 13	11 04	2 35	4 27	6 38	12 11
Parkhurst	f 8 22		f 2 44		6 47	
New Castle	8 27		2 49	4 36	7 07	
State Road	f 8 33		f 2 54		7 7	
Bear	8 38		f 2 59	f 4 18	7 22	
Porter	8 45		f 3 04	4 52	7 28	
Kirkwood	8 50		f 3 09		7 33	
Mt. Pleasant	8 56		f 17		1 41	
Armstrong	f 9 02		f 8 21		1 7 5	
Middletown	9 08	11 56	3 26	5	7 5	12 54
Townsend	9 17		3 34	5 52	7 59	
Blackbird	f 9 22		f 3 39		8 04	
Green Spring	f 9 27		f 3 45		8 10	
Clayton	9 33	12 07	3 51	6 42	8 16	1 12
Smyrna LV	9 23	11 57	3 41	5 21	8 06	
Brenford	f 9 58		f 3 58		8 32	
Cheswold	f 9 46		f 4 04		8 37	
Dupont			f 4 07			
Dover	9 58	12 23	4 14	5 59	8 37	1 31
Wyoming	10 05	f 12 29	4 20	6 06	8 43	a 1 38
Woodside	f 10 11			f 6 11	f 8 50	
Viola	f 10 15			f 6 15	f 8 54	
Felton	10 20	f 12 40		6 20	8 56	a 1 58
Harrington	10 34	12 53		6 33	9 10	2 05
Farmington	f 10 42			f 6 41	f 9 18	
Greenwood	f 10 50	f 1 08		f 6 49	f 9 26	
Bridgeville	10 58	f 1 16		6 57	9 34	a 2 29
Cannons	f 11 03			f 7 02	f 9 39	
Seaford	11 13	1 27		7 11	9 48	2 k
Laurel	11 23	f 1 37		7 21	9 58	a 2 53
Delmar	11 33	1 46		7 30	10 08	3 05

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	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. P. M.	PAS. P. M.
Delmar	f 1 38		7 00	8 00	2 15	8 30
Laurel	f 1 21		7 11	8 10	2 25	8 41
Seaford	1 34		7 23	8 24	2 35	8 56
Cannons			f 7 31	f 8 31		f 4 04
Bridgeville	f 1 48		7 37	8 37	f 2 46	4 11
Greenwood			7 45	f 8 45	f 2 54	f 4 19
Farmington			7 53	f 8 53		f 4 27
Harrington	2 23		8 05	9 06	3 08	4 40
Felton	f 2 33		8 14	9 16	3 18	4 49
Viola			8 18	f 9 20		f 4 53
Woodside			8 22	f 9 24		f 4 57
Wyoming	p 2 46	8 57	8 29	9 31	f 3 30	5 05
Dover	2 57	7 03	8 35	9 38	3 36	5 11
Dupont		f 7 08				
Cheswold		f 7 13		f 9 48		f 5 0
Brenford		f 7 18		f 9 53		f 5 23
Smyrna LV		7 15	8 42	9 50	3 41	5 21
Clayton	3 09	7 25	8 53	10 00	3 54	5 31
Green Spring		f 7 29				f 5 37
Blackbird		f 7 35		f 10 09		f 5 43
Townsend		7 40	9 06	10 14	4 07	5 50
Middletown	3 30	7 50	9 15	10 24	4 16	5 58
Armstrong		f 7 54				f 6 02
Mt. Pleasant		7 58		f 10 33		6 06
Kirkwood		8 08		10 42		6 16
Porter		8 15	9 34	10 49	4 34	6 22
Bear		f 8 20		f 10 52		f 6 27
State Road		f 8 25		f 10 58		f 6 32
New Castle		8 31	9 46	11 04		6 37
Farnhurst		f 8 36	9 50	f 11 09		f 6 42
Wilmington	4 15	8 45	9 58	11 19	4 59	6 50
Baltimore	6 22	10 34	11 45	2 15	7 10	8 43
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